

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA  
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

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February 24, 2004

**FROM: PAUL BIANE, 2nd District Supervisor**  
Board of Supervisors

**SUBJECT: OPPOSE PROPOSITION 56 ON THE MARCH 2, 2004 BALLOT**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve resolution opposing Proposition 56 on the March 2, 2004 Ballot.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** Proposition 56 is on the March 2, 2004 Ballot. If approved, the measure would amend both the state's Constitution and statutes to change the state budget process. The measure reduces from two-thirds to 55 percent the number of votes required to pass the State budget bill and other bills—including tax increase measures—related to the budget bill. The measure would have varying state fiscal impacts from lowering the legislative vote requirement for budget-related spending and tax increases - including changes in spending and potentially significant increases in state taxes. Fiscal impacts would depend primarily on the composition and actions of future Legislatures. With approval of this item the Board of Supervisors affirms its opposition to this ballot measure.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** None

**SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT(S):** All

**PRESENTER:** Paul Biane, 2<sup>nd</sup> District Supervisor (387-4833)

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